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Halvorsen et al

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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR THE DIFFERENTIATION OF HUMAN

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants herewith petition that the period for response to the Office Action mailed on June 15, 2001 in the above-identified application be extended for four (4) months, to and including November 15, 2001. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account 11-0980 in the amount of \$720.00 for the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(4) for a small entity. If the Commissioner ascertains that an additional fee is due, he is hereby authorized to charge the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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